

THE MINUTES FOR THE JANUARY 11, 2022
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING
OF THE INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF NORTHPORT

PRESENT: Chairman Phil Weber, Commissioners Jim Hall, Jim Clark, Tony Graziano and Paul Latuso.
Chief Dennis Sheridan, 1st Asst. Chief Doug Pyne, 2nd Asst. Chief Tom Smalling, Lead Paramedic Tom McCarthy.

Meeting Called To Order At 7:00 PM.

Minutes From The December 14, 2021 Meeting Approved

Fire Warrant Approved In The Amount Of \$198,986.45.

Chief Sheridan:

- Asked Commissioners for status of the UHF radio system issues discussed.
- New Motorola portable radios for the company lieutenants and Engine 298 and Tower Ladder 297 should be received shortly.
- Asked Commissioners for status of request for new Rescue Pumper.

The Rescue/Pumper continues to increase in price. As of February 2021 the base cost will be adjusted by a COLA increase which is typically 4% plus an additional adjustment for material cost. The Pierce sales rep from Firematic believes the increase will push the cost to over \$900,000. Payment on this apparatus would not be required until next year.

- Chief's office is requesting copies of training certificates for Village employees, who work with or interact with Northport FD members as follows:
 - a. Hazardous Communication Right To Know.
 - b. Sexual Harassment
 - c. Blood borne Pathogens
 - d. Work Place Violence

Village employees who are NFD members have current certificates on file for each category.

- Tower Ladder 297 will be going out to Firematic for maintenance and repair. Hydraulic cylinder, software updates and rear airbag adjustment/replacement as required.
- The department has decided to utilize Northport Comprehensive Care, located at the corner of Main Street and Ocean Avenue for department physicals and testing. The base cost is \$240.00. Jim Clark suggested that Dennis get a written agreement to be signed with a list of services that will be provided. Dennis agreed.

Chief Smalling:

They still are in need of additional computer licenses in the officers' room. Phil asked Paul to get in touch with Island Tech and get this done. Also, the tech can come in to a monthly meeting and do a presentation he has requested.

Tony Graziano:

Bryan Hartt, Highway Supervisor is looking into a vendor to fix air system and provide new tires for

the High Water Truck discussed at the December 2021 monthly meeting.

Tom McCarthy:

Updated board and chiefs with the current Paramedic work schedule coverage since several were out sick with COVID.

Working with Roland Buzzard, Village Administrator Tom wants to add additional paramedics to bring the roster up to twenty-five.

Provided a list of repairs needed for the 80 car. The Board suggested Joe Cavagnaro, mechanic in the Highway Department look at the car to determine what needs to be done since it is already eleven years old.

Discussed at length the inventory items control process at the Firehouse. All supplies ordered for the Paramedics will be delivered to the Village Office instead of Station One, which at times doesn't have a person there to receive them.

He proposed wi-fi in vehicles and the paramedic cars, scanner for items received, using a storeroom for supplies. Board suggested Tom get some prices for a scanner and Dennis will discuss this with the Rescue Officers for their feedback. Dennis suggests a vendor should come in with a vehicle to test wi-fi in different locations throughout the village.

Tom read a thank you letter from Paramedic Tony Gurene for the fruit basket the Commissioners sent while he is recovering from an injury. Tony asked that we continue to pray for him.

Commissioners agreed to the following calendar changes:

Monday, March 7, 2022 for March monthly meeting.

Wednesday, April 6, 2022 for April monthly meeting.

Meeting Adjourned At 8:00 PM.

Next Meeting Scheduled For Tuesday, February 8, 2022 At 7:00 PM.